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General Meetings held at the Clubrooms on the third Tuesday of every month (fellowship from 7:30, formal proceedings commence at 8:00 p.m.)

All members and visitors are welcome.



Colin Bell has breezed in and won this months raffle just before they swan off for another hard earned vacation

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### **President's Piece**

I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter and maybe got that MG out on the road as well. Some of our members made the long journey to Adelaide for the 2017 NATMEET. Looking at the event information and pictures on the NM facebook pages, they were blessed with good weather and a MaGic weekend. The results have not yet been published, so we will have to wait a while longer for those. The 2018 Natmeet is being held in Ulverstone Tasmania, over the Easter weekend [30 March to 3 April]. I am aware that a number of our members will be travelling over for the Natmeet. At the moment registrations have not opened but if you intend to go you need to book your accommodation in Ulverstone as soon as possible. Much of what was available has already been booked, thus I suggest that you at least book your accommodation without delay. If you logon to the MG CC of Tasmania website at: <a href="www.mgtas.org.au">www.mgtas.org.au</a> and click on the 'MG Motoring News' icon and then on the 'April 2017' icon, you'll be able to read all the current information about the Natmeet. If you wish to print the page out it is Page 8 of their April 17 Magazine.

We are going and I am prepared to act as liaison for club members attending regarding transportation, at least to Melbourne. In 2015 when the NatMeet was at Melbourne we put together a group of 10 cars and shipped them out with CEVA, getting a good rate. The addition for 2018 is that the Ferry crossings will also have to be booked and as it will be the Easter weekend, the ferries will be busy. As of today [25 April] ferry bookings for next Easter are not yet open.

April was a good warm dry month for using your MG. It started with the Northam Festival of Speed, with a good run from Sawyers Valley to Northam. We squeezed 17 MG's and the club Gazebo into a small space and were able to watch some good 'Round the Houses' Regularity driving. Then came the Midweek run on the 13<sup>th</sup> and on the 23<sup>rd</sup> there was a Social Run to Waroona and the Shannons Classic Car Show at Ascot. There was a large number and a wide variety of Classic vehicles displayed at Ascot, under a hot sun. May also has a full calendar of events, with the Moondyne Joe day at Toodyay on the 7<sup>th</sup> and the British Car Day at Gingin on the 21<sup>st</sup> as well as the usual mid week run on the 11<sup>th</sup>. It is still warm enough for enjoyable top-down MaGic motoring, so lets see you out driving your MG's. For those with an interest in Competition events, the first weekend of June in Albany is the place to be, for the Classics weekend. If you go you will definitely see some MG's on the Sunday being driven hard.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> April, our TD had its 64<sup>th</sup> birthday and 46 of those years it has been a member of the Bush MG clan. In those 46 years of ownership, it has done 41000 miles

and averaged 27.4 MPG. The seats are still the original leather, which has assiduously been treated with Connoly 'Hide Food' every 6 months. That is one thing you need to do if your MG has leather upholstery, especially in our WA climate. Leather does not like being unnecessarily exposed to direct sunlight, as it dries it out. However if you 'feed' it regularly it will reward you with a long life.

After a 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  year wait, Christine and myself were granted Australian Citizenship on the 4<sup>th</sup> April, in a ceremony at Midland Town Hall. Thus the club no longer has a 'Pommie' President. However I have not changed, I am still an MG enthusiast who is proud to be an MGCC member and to be able to give something back to the Car Club which has given so much to me over the past 52 years.

**Stop Press:** SIAC who now manufacture MG's have just shown their first MG 'EV' [electronic Vehicle] at the Shanghai motor show. It is a sleek looking sedan. Logon to <a href="https://www.mg.co.uk">www.mg.co.uk</a> and click on the Concept cars icon and take a look. There is still no more news about an MG dealership for WA. The MG 3 & SUV models

Finally I extend a warm welcome to the following New Members:



are on sale in the Fastern states.

### Welcome to New Members



David and Ronice Lovett - 1997 Green MGF
John Dalecki - 1968 Blue MGB
Mike Markham - 1959 Red MGA
Andrew Jackson - 1997 Red MGF
Hayley Munro-Tobin - 1970 Yellow MGB

Octagonal Regards

**Doug Bush** 

#### TRUE CLUB SPIRIT.

I, Erik Sorenson, would like to express my thanks and gratitude to fellow member **Mark Rookledge** for the donation of one 6813 gearbox and drive shaft for our competition car.

Given that we can conclude the current health condition we anticipate being back on the track mid-July.

### **Motorkhana Try Out Day**

Sunday 26th March

Dave and Sue Elliott of the Mini Car Club organized yet again a great day at the Go-kart track near the Barbagallo Raceway. The weather played nicely with only the lightest sprinkles in the morning and the rest of the day remaining cool which made for very pleasant driving.

There were four courses, of varying difficulty, laid out for both the morning and afternoon sessions, giving everyone at least three runs on each course. All runs were timed so able to give each driver a good idea on their handling of their vehicle and there was also advice from the professionals (if you wanted it) on maybe small improvements. At a cost of \$20 each, it made for enjoyable burn-outs with no problems from the "boys in blue".

There were about 20 drivers for each session ranging in age from one 'old fart" (me) to very young school boys learning to drive, with everyone coming off with big smiles.

Sarah Fry put her GT through it's paces and now has poor Peter deciding whether to spend some money on it or look for a model already upgraded. (car not Sarah)

We attended the afternoon session and pushed "Bruiser" fairly hard, keeping within a few seconds of the more exuberant drivers. Even after suffering some misfiring and timing issues, the old girl got us home with grins on the dial.

The State Championships starts on Saturday 13th May and we intend to be there and have some more fun, and also help support our boys who won last years Perpetual Trophy.

M & G





### Sunday 7 May 2017

Undoubtedly, one of the highlights of our social calendar each year! A fun and interesting day in the closed main street of Toodyay, which is invariably chock full of market stalls of all varieties, period characters and entertainment.

The legend of Moondyne Joe, the Avon Valley's legendary bushranger, transforms the picturesque historical town of Toodyay, Western Australia into a lively daylong festival. A highlight of the day being the re-enactment of Moondyne Joe's various escapades throughout the town, his arrests and mock trials. Join in the fun with Moondyne Joe as he runs around town, robbing shops, escaping custody and being a general menace. Cheer on Joe's gang, 'floozies', coppers, swaggies and the Town Crier.

The MG Car Club has again been invited to display our cars in a designated area in the main street of Toodyay and we in turn need to be in place by 8:45am.

Providing members with the opportunity of an early breakfast and/or coffee, we will meet at the car park of *McDONALDS* (cnr Great Eastern Hwy & Lloyd ST Midland) at "7.00 ish" for a 7.30 departure. Bring your own picnic lunch OR avail yourself of the many food outlets on offer.

After leaving *MCDONALDS* at 7.30am (sharp) we will travel in convoy incorporating a pleasant scenic route (with NO questions and arguments).

Should anyone have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on Mob 0413 569 359 or email at <a href="mailto:phagarty@tpg.com.au">phagarty@tpg.com.au</a>.

### Looking forward to seeing you there!

Yours Octagonally **Peter Hagarty** 

MGCC Forthcoming Events in 2017						
May	8					
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Committee Meeting					
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Moondyne Joe Toodyay	Social	MGCC			
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	Midweek Run	Social	AHC			
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	Social	MGCC			
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	British Car Day Gingin	Social	MGCC			
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Southern Chapter Run	Social	MGCC			
June						
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Albany Classic Weekend	Social/Comp	VSCC			
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting					
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Midweek Run	Social	TBA			
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	Social	MGCC			
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Social Run	Social	MGCC			
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	Jaguar Car Club Track Day	Social	JCC			
July						
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	York Motor Show	Social	VCC			
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting					
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Southern Chapter Run	Social	MGCC			
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>	Midweek Run	Social	TBA			
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	Social	MGCC			
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Winter Woolies Run	Social	MGCC			

#### SOUTHERN CHAPTER EVENTS

The next SOCIAL RUN will be organized by Kerren and Lindsay and will start at the CROOKED CARROT CAFE near Myalup on the South West Highway on Sunday 28 May 2017. The final details of this event (meeting time, event destination) will be sent at a later date.

Also, the ALBANY CLASSIC will take place over the 3rd, 4th and 5th June. This is a competition event but members can just drive down and make it a social weekend. If anyone is interested you will need to book your own accommodation as early as possible as it is a very busy weekend in Albany.

Last but not least, Ted and Robyn Mullins will be organizing a social run on SUNDAY 9th July 2017. Again more details at a later date, but put this in your diary anyway.

As always, all Southern Chapter events are open to all MGCC members .

**COLIN AND KAREN BELL** 

### **SOCIAL REPORT**

### **Moondyne Joe Festival Toodyay**

Sunday 7 May 2017

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Bring your own picnic lunch or avail yourself of the many food outlets on offer.

After leaving McDONALDS at 7.30am (sharp) we will travel in convoy incorporating a pleasant scenic route.

#### Classic Midweek Social Run

Thursday 11 May 2017

This year's second run is being organized by Arthur and details will be emailed to members when they become available.

### **Gingin British Car Day**

Sunday 21 May 2017

No formal run has been organized. Just drive up to the Gingin oval and you will be directed where to park by the marshals. Enjoy the local displays, support the Gingin community with their food outlets and produce stalls.

Should be a great day with hundreds of British cars on display.

Some you may never have seen before.

Bill Hildebrand - Social Co-ordinator 0418 919 500 hwhvmh@gmail.com

### NORTHAM FLYING 50'S

### Sunday 2nd April 2017

Sunday 2nd April, perfect MG weather with no coats and top off. Yeah! Says Bernie. We left home bright and early and headed off to the meeting spot at Sawyers Valley shops to link up for a convoy run.

On the way we had to manoeuvre the thousands of bicycles partaking the 3 dams event, which was a tad daunting going up Great Eastern Highway leaving only one lane for the big trucks and general traffic.

Fortunately they all turned off at Mundaring heading to the dams.

Fifteen eye catching MG's assembled at Sawyers Valley, a quick catch up and we were on our way. It was a very pleasant drive up we all agreed. What better was there to do on this beautiful day.





It didn't take long to set up our gear and banner, display the MG's and find a shady spot for our chairs and tables on the banks of the Avon River under the gum trees.

Our display backed on to the TC club, the majority of our MG's being "RED" always a winner ( a little biased).

Full credit must go the organisers for the festival, and we thought it was much improved from other years. Loads more safetv features. food outlets with the coffee cart being а notable winner. Loads to do for the kids, live band and music as well for those who wanted to chill out.

We thoroughly enjoyed

the friendship and chats with our fellow MG enthusiasts in between dashing off to watch our Rami Brass, Ron Fabry and Richard Gusterson. Spotted also was Dennis Fair and Kevin Ball (on crutches) not in their MG's. Such a good friend you are Dennis.

At the end of the day it was announced that our club had won the best car display with a \$200 prize for the MGCC. Well done to all those that sparkled up their prized MG's to make it happen.

Good day had by all and looking forward to the next event to come.

The Northam Motor Sport Festival is brought to us by the generosity of the Northam community over the two days with plenty of action, thrills, nostalgia and of course noise.

A big thank you to the organising team and the good folks who get behind the event and have supported it for many years for us to enjoy.

#### Pam and Bernie Dorizzi















### Midweek Run 6th April 2017

This was horsepower with a difference!

All the mares and fillies assembled in fine fettle for the start of the Midweek Stakes, sponsored by the Austin Healey Club, at Ye Olde Narrogin Inne track in Armadale.

Well groomed and lined up in their individual colours and chomping at the bit for the off.



But first the jockeys needed a briefing from the Clerk of Course, Arthur Wallis. Care was emphasised on the bends and corners, as this was not the usual straight course. It was a real cross country through the hills with many turns and corners. Even deliberate mistakes to confuse the jockeys. All bets on,



suddenly up went the barriers, we were off!!

Amazing some of the later starters, even with a wrong turn, somehow finished up in front of the field?

For the final furlong, we were instructed to regroup and were to follow the Clerk of Course to the secret destination - the finishing line at the Chidlow Tavern.



Low and behold, here was real horse power waiting for us!! The Clerk of Course was speechless and just couldn't explain how that had happened!

It was nevertheless a very enjoyable run for 30 classic cars, including 10 MGs and the jockeys all enjoyed great refreshments in the unsaddling enclosure.



### **Richard & Annette Gusterson**







# The Southern Chapter Run Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2017

With the prospect of beautiful weather and a great destination a group of MG enthusiasts set off on Sunday morning to the designated meeting point at the back beach cafe in Bunbury. That is where Collin Bells plan went astray as the Bunbury Council had closed all roads leading to the Cafe due to a fun run.



As you would expect all the quick thinking drivers turned their cars in the direction of Busselton and enjoyed the 52 km hoods down drive and arrived at the Auto Classic display by 10am.



Our Club under the capable direction of Colin and Karen Bell had a total of nine MG's on display and all looking bright and shiny in spite of the distance travelled to reach Busselton.



On arrival we were greeted by Collin Morrison from the Geographe Bay MG group who invited us to join their contingent making a total of nineteen cars all together.



Due to the weather most were sporting open tops and created quite a spectacle for the many motoring enthusiasts that turned out for the day. We had an MGA, MGF'S, Midgets and a selection of MGB'S making up the display.

We were warmly greeted by the Busselton people and had a very enjoyable time discussing the benefits and pitfalls of owning an MG but all agreeing that it is a rewarding experience.

The total Busselton Auto Classic display consisted of 105 assorted cars this year and was set among shady trees in Rotary Park. The presentation of the cars was outstanding and very much appreciated by the public. The Jaguar Club had the biggest display, followed by the MG Clubs and then a wide variety of other vintage and classic vehicles making up the total.

The peoples choice prize for the day went to a beautiful white vintage Jaguar convertible and a worthy winner it was. There was a free raffle conducted on the day, the prize being a navigation device and it was won by a Geographe MG Club Member.

While relaxing on our chairs in the shade during the afternoon Lyn and I noticed our Editor buzzing around taking photos but wearing his hat on back to front. We had to remind him to change it as we couldn't tell if he was coming or

going . He obliged and assured us that he knew which way he was going.

As the show drew to a close it was time to pack up our chairs and say farewell before departing to our respective destinations. It was a very enjoyable run and we must thank Collin and Karen Bell for inspiring us to make the journey and join in the fun associated with displaying our cars.

At 2.30pm with the hood down we set off for the run back to Perth and as we turned onto the Bunbury highway we joined a stream of traffic which stayed with us all the way home but it was an enjoyable and trouble free drive to complete a great day.

Many thanks to Colin and Karen.





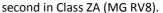
**Ernie and Lyn Whitehurst** 

### **2017 MG NATIONAL MEETING – ADELAIDE**

Report by Tony Ford

The 2017 MG National Meeting was held in Adelaide over Easter, with registration numbers on a par with last year's Natmeet held in Perth. The West Aussies attending were: the Goffs (John, Val and Jason [MGCGT]), Colin and Cathy Cleaver [MGA Twin Cam), Ray and Kerry Smith [MGB MkII], and Lesley Bell and myself [MGA 1600 MkII Deluxe] from MGCCWA; and Russel and Barbara Anderson [MGA 1600], Tom and Annie Bullock [MG Midget] and Forbes and Ann Watson [RV8] from the MG Owners Club.

The MG Car Club of South Australia organised a very enjoyable Natmeet and all events ran smoothly, with many volunteers on hand to help at each event. Registration and scrutineering was efficiently conducted on Good Friday, followed by the traditional evening Nog'n'Natter and Rocker Cover Racing. The Concours d'Elegance was conducted at Wigley Reserve in Glenelg on Saturday in glorious weather (which fortunately continued over the entire Easter period). The setting was picturesque, being adjacent to the Glenelg Marina and the ocean, and the central Glenelg location attracted many local visitors. In a first for me, I was delighted to win Class G (MGA Single Cam), while Col Cleaver won Class H (MGA Twin Cam) and Forbes Watson was







Saturday night was the 'MGM' Theme Night - "Morris Garages Movies" with most registrants dressing as various well-known film characters. The star of the show was Jason Edwards from South Australia, who shaved his full beard, applied make-up and donned black lacy lingerie and suspenders, as Frank N Furter from The Rocky Horror Show – needless to say, he was awarded best costume on the night. To our great surprise, Lesley and I - dressed as American 1920s gangsters Bonnie and Clyde complete with submachine gun and pistols (we put these into checked baggage rather than carry-on for the flight over!) - won Best Dressed Couple. The MG Owners Club members also won an award for their group with a clever 'Where's Wally' theme.



The table and room decorations were fabulous, the food was excellent, the band was entertaining and the crowd danced all night (well, at least until 11pm).

Sunday was the Motorkhana at Port Adelaide for those competitively inclined (Jason being our sole representative in this



event) and the alternative Kimber Run, for those wishing a more leisurely day. Jason demonstrated his excellent driving skills by winning his Class in the Motorkhana. The rest of us embarked on a scenic drive from Glenelg through the McLaren Vale winegrowing region and down into the Fleurieu Peninsula. As Lesley and I had spent the previous week at Normanville in the heart of the Peninsula, including a day trip to Kangaroo Island, much of the route was familiar. The Kimber Run

finished with a packed lunch at the historic town of Strathalbyn – although the 4 hour 190km drive meant that it was a rather late lunch stop!

Monday was the Super Sprint at the Mallala Motor Racing Circuit, with Jason again being the sole WA representative – and once again his superior driving skills earned him a Class win! The alternative competitive event was the Observation Run, a 120km route through the Adelaide Hills into the Barossa wine region, with a series of questions to





answer along the way. For those not entered in the Observation Run competition, a scenic tour along the same route was undertaken. The route indeed proved to scenic, with the initial stage up the Torrens River Gorge being spectacular. The Adelaide Hills and Barossa regions are replete with lovely historic towns and

villages, while the patchwork of forest, grazing pastures and grapevine rows along the way was picturesque.

We did not enter the Observation Run (in my view, the questions detract from the drive and may lead to unnecessary friction between driver and navigator!) and just did the scenic tour; however we were very pleased when the MGOC's Forbes and Ann Watson were awarded the overall winners of the event. As Forbes and Ann had been responsible for organising the successful Observation Run at the 2016 Perth Natmeet, this win was indeed fitting.

The Presentation Dinner on Monday night was again well organised, with the presenting of awards and trophies being interspersed with live music and dancing. The food and service were both excellent and the evening proceeded with few hiccups in the presentations. The Wratten Trophy was won by MGCC Queensland, which just held off Victoria, while the Nuffield Trophy (won last year by WA) went to Tasmania. The Tasmanian MGCC representative gave a speech inviting MG folk to the 2018 MG National Meeting, to be held in Ulverstone on Tasmania's north coast, and interest in next year's Natmeet from all Centres appears high.

The Farewell Breakfast held on Tuesday morning in Glenelg was both well catered and well attended and was a great opportunity to say goodbye to new and old MG friends.

At the Delegates Meeting held after the Breakfast, the Victorian MGCC proposed that the 2020 Natmeet be held at Wodonga and its NSW neighbour Albury and this was warmly accepted by all delegates. However, a host Centre for the 2019 Natmeet is yet to be confirmed after MGCC Sydney tabled a letter advising that it was unable to host. The Queensland delegate advised that they will consider being the host Centre in 2019.

Start making your plans now for the 2018 MG National Meeting in Ulverstone, Tasmania! Tony Ford

### **NATMEET INFORMATION**

Photos from the Natmeet events can be found here https://www.flickr.com/photos/125527592@N07/sets/72157682780939325/ and can be downloaded.

All 9 WA attendees had a great time with **Tony Ford** winning the Concours MGA Pushrod (Class G) and **Colin Cleaver's** T/Cam taking out the MGA Twin Cam (Class H) for Team MGCC WA.... There were 5 MGA Twin Cams with 2 Deluxes and 4 Coupes out of 22 MGA Pushrods in attendance.

### **PERPETUAL TROPHIES**

JEAN KIMBER-COOK PERPETUAL TROPHY

1st Alexander Reeves {Newcastle}

2nd Ghemma Beet {Victoria}

JOAN RICHMOND TROPHY

Delia Rayment {Queensland}

CHRIS DODDS MEMORIAL TROPHY

Graeme Ruby {Geelong}

NEW ZEALAND PLATE

Wayne Kirwan {Queensland}

GOLDEN GUDGEON TROPHY

Wayne Kirwan {Queensland}

TC OWNERS CLUB PERPETUAL PRE-WAR PLATE

Peter Kerr {Gold Coast}

CECIL KIMBER CENTENNIAL TROPHY

Wayne Kirwan {Queensland}

#### **Jason Goff**

Speed Event - class S - 1st Motorkhana - class S - 1st

### Forbes and Anne Watson

Observation run - 1st



The Deadline for articles to be included in the June edition of the Octagon will be Thursday 25th May 2017

Thank you M & G Editors









### **NEW SHIRTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

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#### SHANNON'S CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Sunday 23rd April









What a beautiful day to spend on a Sunday showing off your pride and joy, we had 9 cars representing our club and in total, with approx. over 500 cars on display from clubs all over Perth.

Around 2000 paying people entered the grounds of Ascot with little ones in tow, a sea of colours, shapes and sizes of vehicles could be found.

Cars could be seen all directions, along with buses, trucks, motor bikes, caravan or two and old ambulance that was not in service, lots of food vans to choose from, a variety for the taste buds, but sadly, no ice cream van.

Displays from vendors selling signs, to selling insurance could be found and one police car revving the engine - the sound was deafening.

We had our flag up high, showing A's, B's, midgets & F's and even got two new recruits, the day went fast in the sun and not a rain cloud insight, parking was easy with a pink pass and leaving was even easier.

To be a day at the races with horse power and not one four-legged insight, people came from everywhere to look at our beauties, staff cleaned the eating areas and toilets were easy to find, still the people flowed with no sign of stopping even after 3pm – finishing time.

As the sun started to look like it was getting ready to set, the roar of engines could be heard, and as I drove out the gates with a smile on my face, another great day, another great display.

**Alley Mulcahy** 





More cars from the Shannon's Classic Car Show







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### **GENERAL MEETING. 18 April 2017: Minutes**

#### Meeting opened at 20.00.

Club President in the chair.

Visitors: John McCallum TD 1951, Gay Bridgement MGF 1999 & Anthea MGF 1999

Apologies: John Bell, Peter & Sarah Fry, Lyn Whitehurst, Ken Rose and Tony Ford

**Minutes of previous meeting:** 21 March 2017 published in the Octagon: Motion to accept Minutes: Proposed by Doug Bush and agreed by seconded by Graham Mitchinson as a true record.

**Correspondence.** 7 x Club magazine from other clubs, 1 x Email from Geoff Ward re: regalia & 1 x Cheque from City of Bayswater, being refund of Deposit paid for Riverside Gardens, used for the club's Show & Shine.

The Correspondence be accepted, moved by Chris Hart, seconded by Renee Wylie & Graham Forbes and approved by the meeting.

Business arising: nil

#### **REPORTS:**

VP's Report: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

**Treasurer's Report:** Chris Hart advised that the club funds are above budget for the Financial are \$7700.00 ahead income expenditure Year to date, total of all accounts are \$xxxxxxxxx He then asked for the following cheques to be approved for payment;— R & D Wylie – Supper \$40.00, D Bush – Postage & Ink \$35.00, D Pitcher – Raffle prize \$31.30, Allsports Trophies - Badges- \$80.00. Chris's Proposal was seconded by Iain Trainor and approved by the meeting.

**Membership Sec's Report:** Richard Gusterson nominated 2 new members for acceptance, John Dalecki 1969 Blue MGB Roadster & David Lovett 1997 BRG MGF. The nomination was seconded by Graham Mitchinson and passed by meeting.

Year to Date paid is 243 members

Year to date new members and re-join members = 17

Richard & Annette Gusterson will be away on holidays for about 2 months, Doug Bush and Mike Smith to fill in position.

**Competition:** Brendon Hagarty has resigned from the position due to person reasons currently looking for a replacement but most of the events are already planned for this year.

**Social Report:** Bill Hildebrand advised the following runs:

Sunday 23 April Social run leaving from club rooms at 10am to Waroona lunch.

Sunday 23 April – Shannon's Classic Car Show Ascot Race court 10am – 3pm.

Owners Club Charity Day – riding for the disabled 44 Old Yanchep Road Pinjar Sunday 30 April 10am - 3pm.

Moondyne Festival meet at McDonalds Midland corner of Lloyd Street & Great Eastern Highway at 7am Sunday 7 May.

Mid week run Thursday 11 May organised by Austin Healy Club details to follow.

British Car Day Gingin Sunday 21 May email sent.

**Editors:** Graham Mitchinson advised everything going well – waiting on report from mid week run as received photos only.

**Safety Fast Run:** Terry Banton reported 160 people registered / 80 cars must have numbers in by end of the month for early bird prize , approx. \$390,00 for entry fee. Looking for a sponsor for Safety Fast run.

Date for Banton's Big Breakfast 22 August 2017

**Club Captain:** Mike Smith advised reminder about green stickers on badges to welcome new members.

Welcomed new members – Rob Hagarty, John Dalecki, Andrew Jackson and Mike Markham.

Awarded prize for Wheelie good idea competition in the Octagon to Richard Gusterson. Hop and Stop to be organised for new members and old members for social event to meet and get together.

**Regalia**: Chris Hart sourcing out some prices and samples for Key Rings and Stubby Holders and also looking into long sleeve tops.

**Librarian:** Nothing to report.

Webmaster: website up to date.

lan Campbell advised about social run Winter woollies run Sunday 23 July waterside location decided, details to follow.

Entry forms to be placed on website when supplied by Terry Banton.

**Any Other Business:** Shawn Moore suggested purchasing a car trailer and for a small fee rent to members – committee to discuss.

Meeting closed at 20: 32pm

Alley Mulcahy

Secretary; MGCCWA

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### SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Action Update # 3 - Safety Fast Run
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>, Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Monday 23rd October 2017

Early Bird Registrations - Closing 30th April.

As at 30<sup>th</sup> March – 160 persons – 80 cars have registered for the Early Bird Prize.

Entry Forms & Scrutineering Forms will be available on the MGCC website from May  $8^{\text{th}}$ 

Should you wish to spend the Friday night at The Ravenswood Hotel, the contact person is "**Jenny**" – **95376054** for room bookings.

The **Plate Presentation** will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> October commencing for a meal at 6.00 pm, should you require one, and the Plate Presentation at 7.30 pm. The venue will be **The Botanica Bar & Bistro**, 401 Scarborough Beach Rd, Innaloo WA 6018. Phone 94453111.

**2017 Safety Fast Run Entry Cost will be \$390.00** per couple and details for the payment will be on the Entry Form at <a href="https://www.mgccwa.com">www.mgccwa.com</a>

Included in the Entry Cost are the following :-

Bacon & Egg roll at the START – Ravenswood Hotel.

Day One Lunch by the CWA.

**Evening Gala Night** at The Quality Inn – Margaret River including dinner, entertainment, dancing, the CANTEEN Raffle and lots of fun.

Day Two Lunch by the CWA.

**Evening Presentation Dinner** at The Quality Inn – Margaret River including dinner, entertainment, the Riding for the Disabled Raffle and more fun.

Day Three will provide free time for you to visit the Margaret River district and shops before the return trip back to Perth.

Terry & Wanda Banton 2017 MG Safety Fast Run Coordinators <a href="terwan@iinet.net.au">terwan@iinet.net.au</a> or Mobile - 0407 452 910



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In this edition of the Octagon we have had several contributors who have taken photographs or supplied articles that were used throughout the magazine.

Eddie Preston, Maxine Robins, David Pitcher, Pam Dorizzi, Lyn Whitehurst, Annette Gusterson, Lindsay Campbell, Karen Bell, Tony Ford, Alley Mulcahy and Colin Cleaver

Thank you

### MG COUNTRY RUN TO WAROONA **SUNDAY APRIL 23**

Despite the negative weather forecast that earlier in the week predicted rain and storms starting from Friday afternoon to include the entire weekend, the rain Gods obviously thought well of the us MG owners as we were blessed with perfect weather for most of us to keep our hoods down to enjoy the open air motoring for the 40 people in the 20 various MGs incl. MGB, RV8, MGF and Midget to start from our Clubroom out to Byford and via the back road to SW Highway through Jarrahdale stopping at the Serpentine Dam Café for refreshments. Then continuing on the back roads to Dwellingup and our Waroona destination via Nanga Road.

The roads were relatively clear with very little road works and low traffic volumes considering it was ANZAC weekend.

The choice of the Waroona Hotel was experiencing quick service and popular, good value lunch, especially for those who chose the Sunday roast for only \$13.

Most people participated in the Quiz so that our navigators had to keep their attention on the surrounding landmarks to give answers to the cryptic clues which was won by Sarah Fry.

> We experienced couple οf

heavy showers on the return journey around Safety

Bay on the Freeway, but was not enough to merit stopping to put the hood up as if one drives fast enough it goes over the top anyway, just as well I remembered the fixed speed camera at South Street!

Thanks to Bill & Val Hildebrand for organising a great day's drive, which to my knowledge was completed event free, well except for the stripper.







**Eddie Preston** 















### FOR SALE AND WANTED SECTION

### MGB Racing Car \$14,500

Very fast, Good condition Can be viewed at SA Natmeet

For further information contact: Garry Bolt 0428 525 677





1977 MGB Red - \$17,500 Concours condition

For further information contact: Millar Lambie 0417 916 950

#### MGB PARTS CLEAR-OUT

Everything must go – no serious offer refused. Prefer to sell as a job-lot, but if not will separate.

3 – 5 Bearing Blocks 2 – Gearboxes (not O/Drive) 2 - Heads.

2 – Starter Motors 2 - Crank Shafts 4 – R/B Rear Springs 1 - Heater Motor & Case 1 - C/B Tow Bar 2 - Rocker Covers 1 – Dashboard Late Model R/B LHD to RHD conversion 2 - Crank Pulley's.

2 - Sumps 1 - MGBLE Boot Rack

Contact: Colin Cleaver 0419 772 554



#### MGB PARTS for sale

Fibreglass targa top with MGB six point fitting -

\$1,350 not 'universal' type

Black bonnet top condition 750 200

Driver roll bar aluminum powder coated black

Header rail, no rust, with clips, new rubber seal and aluminum retainer \$ 250

Contact: Mike Smith 0413 837 282 m7rs@icloud.com

#### WANTED

Hard Top and or Carpets (black) suitable for MGB

Contact: Mark Rookledge 0417 092 139 mtrook@iprimus.com.au

### 1971 MG Midget - \$10,000

Good condition, well looked after Rego till March 2017

Contact: MERV 0427 381 810





# MGB GT 1971 Tangerine Orange - \$11,500

Very good condition Long service history available

Contact: EMMA 0413 165 272

### Garage Sale - Morley area - Sunday 28th May 0900 til 1400

2 complete MAGNETTE shells, needing work Engine, gearboxes and all miscellaneous parts Contact: David Blaxell 9523 8256

### 1972 MGB GT - \$16,900

**Excellent condition** 

Contact: Kevin (08) 9161 4834 Anita (08) 9402 3495





### 1976 MG Midget - \$9,000

Good condition

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